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SOUNDS OF THE SEASON • Elizabeth Andrews, 9, and Julie Hiebert, 9, sing to passersby at Country Christmas last Friday.

Holiday hampers help families

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM
Didsbury Review

Five years ago the community banded together to bring Christmas hampers to a family in need – it was an act of kindness they won't soon forget.

"We were incredibly blessed. We realized we were not alone and that with God and neighbours, we could get through this," said Linda Pogoda, a Carstairs resident.

Thinking about the hampers that arrived over the holidays, still brings her to tears.

Her pilot husband had been laid off from contract work with a new airline and the cheques he'd received from the company bounced.

Money was already tight and with no income and mortgage payments, they were left with nothing.

"Things got bad really fast. My husband was told he was overqualified for jobs and couldn't get E.I. because he worked on contract," she said.

"We didn't know what to do...I mean we had some food in the freezer and cans on the shelf but that was it."

It was also a month before Christmas and they had three children, aged one, three and five who were expecting food and gifts.

That December, the Didsbury Christmas Helpers and residents of Carstairs brought them hampers full of food, toiletries and gifts to tide them over for the holidays.

"I can remember when we got our first hamper, they came to our door and my husband told them he wished he could say we didn't need the hampers, but we did. At that point we were so low, it just meant so much."

People would never have guessed her family was in dire straights by looking at them, she said.

They had a nice home with cars on the driveway and yet there they were on the brink of losing it all.

Pogoda doesn't judge people who get the hampers now and she helps where she can. Each Boxing Day, she shops

for toys and other items to fill hampers the following year.

It's stories like this that inspire the ladies running the Christmas Helpers program in Didsbury.

For 27 years, Linda Sirr and Linda Ragner have made it their mission to make sure the burden of Christmas is lightened for destitute families.

This year they will be distributing approximately 90 hampers to Didsbury and area families on December 23. There could be more handed out if there are last-minute calls.

"This is something truly close to my heart...I feel like this is what we were put on earth for, to help others," Ragner said.

The main requirement is that people have a Didsbury area code, although if the need is great enough program organizers will branch out elsewhere.

Since its inception, Christmas Helpers has become a community affair. People top up the trailer with non-perishable food during Country Christmas, purchase gifts for children and wrap the hampers.

"And the people who have received help in the past usually turn around and help us back – like what Linda Pogoda has done," said Sirr.

"This is about Christmas spirit."

The program is still in need of donations.

Money can be donated to the cause through the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church. Residents can also purchase a gift for an anonymous child. Angels on trees at the post office, Mugs and The Bakery, list the age and sex of youth who need presents this year.

Sirr and Ragner also welcome people to come forward with the names and contact information of people who'd like a hamper this holiday. Referrals can be made to the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church at (403) 335-3629.

"These hampers are important. That day when we got one...it meant more to us than any other year because we had support from our friends and people who didn't even know us," Pogoda said.

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TUESDAY THRU SATURDAY

Winter blast wreaks havoc on highways

BY MARK LAYCOCK
For the Review

One man is dead following a series of multi-vehicle collisions on the QEII north and south of the Carstairs overpass during last Friday's blast of winter.

The infamous stretch of highway between Didsbury and Crossfield quickly turned to sheer ice after heavy snowfall, melting snow and dropping temperatures combined to make treacherous road conditions.

The collisions prompted the Carstairs Disaster Services Agency to set up a reception area at the Memorial Arena to shelter victims of the incident for several hours.

Calls started flooding into 9-1-1 dispatchers at around 3 p.m. when three separate multi-vehicle collisions were reported between the Acme overpass and Didsbury. Both sides of the highway were promptly shut down for more than five hours as crews cleaned up. Numbers for how many vehicles were involved in the collision to the south range between 39 and 50 according to multiple emergency service sources. The collision to the north involved 20 vehicles. Numerous other individual collisions were reported along the same stretch.

Airdrie RCMP say a 21-year-old male was killed after he exited his vehicle and was struck by a vehicle in an attempt to reach safety in the nearby ditch; he died instantly. Other people involved in the collisions were treated for minor injuries.

The closure of the highway forced hundreds of commuters to seek an alternate route down Hwy. 2A, snarling traffic at the Carstairs traffic light, prompting Carstairs Volunteer Fire Department members to direct traffic.

Carstairs fire chief Thane Schaffer said that the incident was likely the second-worst multi-vehicle collision he'd ever dealt with.

Airdrie RCMP Cpl. Darrin Turnbull emphasized that drivers need to be cautious and leave lots of room behind the vehicle in front on them during dangerous weather conditions. When asked if it's best for drivers to exit their vehicles during a similar situation, he said it's difficult to say.

"In this situation there were two boys who jumped out of the vehicle, one died and the other made it. Whether they made the correct decision or not, I don't know, but everybody who stayed in their vehicles survived," he says. "If your vehicle is in the middle of the highway and people are coming at you at highway speeds, it's not good to be there either."

At around 5:45 p.m., several buses packed with victims from the incidents arrived at the Memorial Arena to the welcoming arms of volunteers from the town's disaster services committee. Victims were taken to the upstairs multi-use room where they were offered freshly cooked hotdogs, hamburgers and soup.

Disaster services co-ordinator Bob Krottner said 24 people were temporarily housed in the arena as they contacted friends and family to come and take them home. Some victims, who could not get a ride home, were welcomed by volunteers to spend the night at their homes.

Krottner says the incident is the exact type of scenario the committee has prepared for and is pleased with the quick response he got when volunteers were scrambled.

"You put out about two calls and you have more volunteers than you need. The volunteer support here has always been just excellent. We put the call out and within 10 minutes we had about 10 people ready to go," says Krottner. "It goes over real well in Carstairs; people are fantastic."

The reception centre was operational until about 8 p.m. that night. Schaffer says that the incident highlighted how well multiple agencies and emergency services can work together during a crisis.



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Didsbury Stamp Club needs new members

Postage stamp hobbyists are few

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM
Didsbury Review

Two local collectors are hoping with a little push, this town will go postal.

For the last 20 years, the Didsbury Stamp Club has been gathering at the library to barter postage stamps and swap stories but their numbers are dwindling.

"It's becoming a dying hobby...people just don't do it anymore. We want to revive it and show people how much fun this can be," said Mark Fischer, founder of the club.

Fischer was five years old when he went postal. Cereal companies used to place stamps in the box and he made a habit of collecting them. The hobby felt like treasure hunting for the young boy and 45 years later he remains hooked.

"My best find was winning a sweepstakes in Boston, Massachusetts from a stamp dealer I was using. I sent in my entry and they put it in this large post office cart," he said.

"I never thought they'd pull my name out, but they did. I won a set of 16 stamps that were worth \$6,600 then. Thirty years later they are \$13,000."

For the majority of people, stamps can range from 25 cents to a dollar but there can be the odd

treasure worth hundreds or thousands of dollars.

Fischer has thick volumes listing stamp values that he pulls out the last Saturday of each month. If people bring in boxes of stamps, he's more than happy to help them look up their collection's worth.

For Bill Szaroz, a collector for the last 70 years, the value isn't so much in the stamps - but in their stories.

He recalls searching through a box of stamps and suddenly coming across a picturesque scene that looked vaguely familiar.

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Founder of the club

"It was my grandfather's mill in Hungary. It is now a heritage site," he said.

"When I saw that stamp I remembered him telling me how to get the horses in the mill to turn the grinding wheels...I ordered 10 right away because they were spe-

cial."

He also has several flight covers: envelopes that are missing a postmark. They too have value in the stamp collector world.

"In 1931 or 1933, a famous early pilot, Wop May was bringing medical supplies and flight covers to the arctic. But just before they got to Peace River, Alberta the engine conked out," Szaroz said.

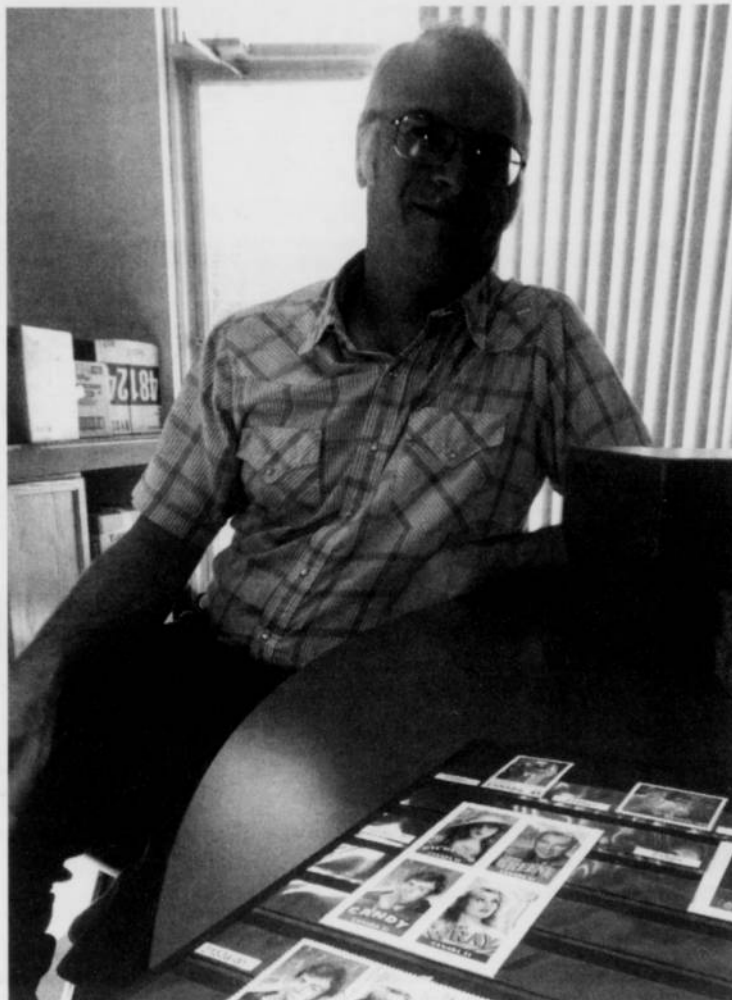
"They got it down but it took three days to fix and to spend the time, Wop May signed all the flight covers in the airplane. They are worth \$25 each now."

Like Fischer, stamps enraptured Szaroz at a young age and he'd like to see other young people feel the same.

"I used to do 45-minute classes on stamp collecting for kids and when I was done they would say, 'do we have to quit? Can we bring our parents?'...they had so much fun."

"But these days not too many kids are starting up. There are too many other things like e-mail, sport cards and all the rest."

The Stamp Club meets on the last Saturday of every month, excluding December, July and August and costs \$2 to join. The money goes towards buying stamp catalogues for members to use.



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Mark Fischer shows off his stamp collection at a Didsbury Stamp Club meeting last month



Influenza Immunization

Alberta Health Services is offering H1N1 influenza immunization to all Albertans.

- H1N1 influenza immunization is recommended for everyone six months of age and older.

Seasonal influenza immunization is also being offered to high risk groups.

- Seasonal influenza will be available at clinics across the province beginning November 30.
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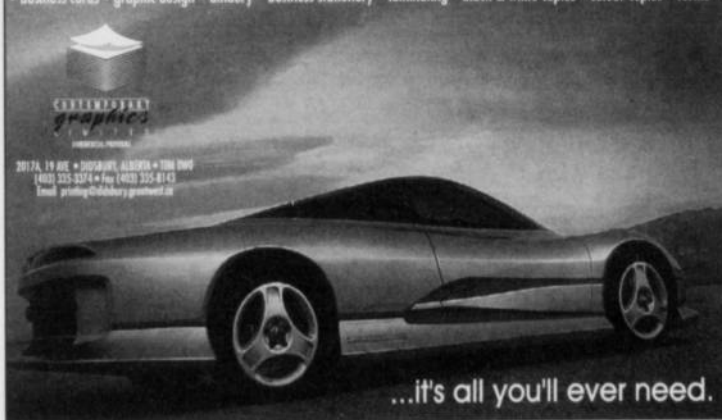
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Christmas affair shines

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM
Didsbury Review

Businesses open for Country Christmas still don't know what to make of the sudden snowfall that wreaked havoc on local roadways Friday.

Snow began to fall in the morning, Nov 28, and by late afternoon reports trickled in of pile-ups, traffic jams and rollovers.

Patrons from Calgary and Red Deer, who usually shop at the annual mid-night madness event called to say they couldn't make the trip, said Margo Ward, president of the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce.

"The snow did have an impact on the total event...and in some ways it was a blessing," she said.

Drivers, who had been stuck in traffic or detoured away from accident scenes, came into Didsbury and attended the annual festivities.

Jennifer Dahl, owner of Gorgeous Gifts and Home Décor, said she overheard two women talking about what a surprise it was to come across Country Christmas. They had pulled off the highway to stay at a local inn for the night.

"I am not sure if the weather was a good thing...but it did bring in some new people," she said.

The night began slowly for Dahl and other boutiques along 19th Avenue and 20th Street. It was likely because people were having dinner at the Scouts Hall or driving in poor conditions, Ward

said.

As she waited for crowds to pick up, Dahl quickly shovelled the walk from her store to White Raven to encourage shoppers. Sure enough, within a couple of hours her store was near bursting with browsers.

The snow gave outside revellers a holiday feel as they paraded from one boutique to the next, listening to carollers, sipping on apple cider and visiting reindeer.

Town employees sanded the roads almost as soon as the snow stopped, so the horse and wagon could carry families through the lit streets.

"I think it went very well. There was much of the same there - wagon rides, Santa and cotton

candy - my kids had a lot of much fun," said Deana Campbell, a local shopper who's attended the event since its inception.

"But there was no cotton candy," piped one of her children.

"That's right...the cotton candy was stuck in traffic," she said.

It was one of the few no shows of the evening.

Rose Goerzen, owner of Rose's Stuff, said weather also likely hindered sales.

Customers trickled into her store to browse through scrapbook and card supplies - and some never knew her store existed. It was great to get new people in, she said.

"But it wasn't as busy as last year. We made about half the sales we did in 2008...probably because of all the snow."

Council drops lagoon price

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM
Didsbury Review

Town officials have slashed costs for lagoon upgrades by \$9 million this month to woo government funding authorities.

For the last year, the province has denied grant requests from this community to upgrade the lagoon system. On November 9, the town found out why.

"The problem was the amount we were asking for (22 million), was a third of the province's overall funding," said Brittany Hutton, manager of planning and infrastructure.

"We were told that if we revised our application ... we would have a better chance of getting funding."

The original waste management system in 2008 was a three stage and \$22 million project that would transition the current lagoons into an aerated treatment facility.

The new system would treat effluent with electricity and allow for 20 years of growth if the population continued to grow at 8.5 per cent.

When government officials ignored requests to fund the structure, town

councillors began to look for alternative solutions, such as leasing a private mechanical plant.

The plant would hold three times the effluent as lagoons and could clean wastewater in hours, rather than years. By partnering with a private company the town could also cut back on capital costs.

But the original plan would release chemically treated grey water into the Rosebud River year round and Alberta Environment was concerned that aquatic life would be battered. The government branch agreed to consider the system if the town combined the existing lagoons with the plant technology and release treated water only twice a year.

At a roundtable in early November, Alberta Environment and Alberta Transportation nixed their own suggestion.

The code of practice changed since September and only allows for one release annually.

If the town wanted to use technology that would exceed the limit it would mean upfront engineering, consultation and open houses to prove the system will work. And at the end of the day there is no guarantee the govern-

ment will even approve new treatment methods.

The funding authorities suggested the town stick with standard lagoons if it wants the government to invest in the project.

"We will continue to look at other treatment options. We won't stop here, but in order to get up in the queue for funding, we had to update our application," Hutton said.

Last Monday council voted on new costs for lagoon upgrades. Councillor Bob Davidson was the only member to

oppose the changes.

Town council agreed to fix the upper storage lagoon so it holds more than its present 70 to 80 per cent capacity. The cost will be \$13 million and will provide for 10 years of growth or 6,366 people by 2020.

"I don't disagree with us going for the money, but I am concerned about locking us into a choice to get this funding. Wouldn't it be ironic if there was an alternative that was cheaper than 13 million?"

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Children need society-wide support

DAN SINGLETON



Every year Albertans and other Canadians mark out certain days, weeks or months to raise awareness of social issues and concerns. For example, there is World Health Day, Farm Safety Week, Seniors Month and so on.

In every case, the public is encouraged to become better informed and to do more to promote the health and well-being of their respective communities through increase awareness and understanding.

And while recognizing and supporting all the respective days, weeks and months is important and worthwhile, the run-up to the Christmas and holiday season sees the focus centred on the most important and vulnerable members of society: Canadian children.

Canada's Federal Ombudsman for Victims of Crime, Steve Sullivan, recently marked National Child Day as part of National Family Violence Prevention Month by urging the federal government to provide stronger support for child victims.

"National Child Day reminds us of our duty to protect, care for and respect our children," said Sullivan. "There are hundreds of dedicated people who work every day to help improve children's lives, including child victims."

"In talking with these incredible people, I have learned a lot about the unique trauma child victims suffer and about the difference that child-friendly services can make in helping these children heal."

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, an international agreement that spells out the basic human rights for each and every child, including the right to survival, to develop to the fullest, and to be protected from harmful influences, abuse and exploitation.

And yet in 2009 far too many cases Canadian children, including some in West Central Alberta, are still being denied the protection and rights they are guaranteed under the UN convention – and that is black mark on Canada.

One of the most troubling areas of abuse that has arisen in recent years is internet pornography involving children.

The Federal Ombudsman for Victims of Crime recently released a new in-depth report, titled 'Every Image, Every Child', that looked into the issue of internet-facilitated child sexual abuse.

The report makes a number of recommendations, including that MPs work more closely with their provincial and municipal counterparts to develop strategies to expand child support networks, such as the formation of so-called Child Advocacy Centres (CAC).

"The best safety net we can offer an abused child is a co-ordinated, multi-disciplined response that puts their needs first," said Sullivan. "CACs are proven to work. We know that these centres result in more charges laid, better quality of evidence, more guilty pleas and higher convictions rates with more appropriate sentences."

"More importantly, we know they help children and their families heal. We need to ensure that children from coast to coast receive the treatment they need to recover from abuse."

In addition to his recommendations, Sullivan has asked the federal government to set aside five million dollars to help communities establish CACs. That would be money well spent and MPs of all parties should work together to ensure the cash is made available.

It is right and fitting that child safety and welfare issues are focused on at this time of year – because, as Ombudsman Sullivan says, it is every Canadian's "duty to protect, care for and respect our children."



Letters to the editor

Resident enjoys county open house

I attended the meeting last week at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church in Didsbury, put on by Mountain View County council.

The wall displays were good. I was not able to stay for the whole time but what I was able to take part in was very well run.

The facilitator and his assistant at our table did an excellent job of keeping track of what we said and writing it down. It was then read back to the person who had talked and was verified before going on to the next participant.

I look forward to the next meeting

and must say that although Rural Roots may have seemed heavy handed at times, I commend them for their work in getting the ball rolling.

This was an excellent start.

Joyce Mullen,
Didsbury

Cuts to education budgets will hurt down the road

In a time of crisis and lost jobs, education is at the forefront, the fall-back solution to acquire the skills so desperately needed to face the new emerging economy. It allows the workers to find new jobs and be contributing members of society. It allows children to be all they can be, and society to benefit from that potential.

A government's budget cannot be run like a home budget. A government has responsibilities to the population and as such it doesn't have the

luxury to make short-sighted decisions, from which negative ripple effects will be felt for many years to come.

Cutting funding will translate into lost jobs, bigger classes, and send the message that education is dispensable, that our students are dispensable.

Schools are already running on tight budgets and are already doing more with less. In many regions, they do not have the proper facilities to house the ever-increasing amount of

students.

The \$80 million slashed from Alberta's fall \$6.3 billion education budget and the expected \$340 million to be withdrawn in 2010 are not options that we can afford as a society.

If you feel strongly about this issue, I urge you to send a letter to your local MLA. The address can be found on the Okotoks website as well as other government links. Good luck!

Claire Contois
Okotoks

Has the government acted with transparency?

The prime minister by saying the Opposition is not standing behind the troops, is seeking to play on emotions rather than have Canadians consider whether his government has acted in a responsible manner.

Those who are not blindly partisan have these questions to ask themselves.

Have the prime minister and his

ministers practised transparency and accountability in this matter or not?

Is it justifiable to state the Opposition is attacking the military in seeking after information concerning what was known when?

Do you agree or disagree when the "prime minister says he stands behind troops, even if Opposition doesn't?"

It is not the responsibility of Canadian troops making wrong decisions that is the question to be decided, but rather whether the decision makers, those issuing orders, the Government of Canada, have acted openly and with accountability since first becoming aware of what was transpiring. Is it not?

Joe Hueglin
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Firehouse News Giving back to the community

I grew up just outside of town on the family farm while I went to school in Didsbury.

A philosophy that I have adopted from my dad - a member of the Olds Fire Department - is that if you take from the community, you should always give back.

I felt the best way to accomplish this was to join the Didsbury Fire Department and in early spring of 2008 I became a member.

At one of our weekly training nights, it was brought to our attention that beyond family and friends, very few people know and understand what we do for the community.

We go above and beyond fighting fires. Each year we monitor routes and distribute water for the Terry Fox Run. We hand out trophies to kids at the mutt-on-bustin' event at the Didsbury Fair and Rodeo, raise money for cancer research and show kids the trucks.

We had our fire preven-

tion week in late October and an elderly person approached one of our firefighters. She seemed angry when she asked how much we got paid for



KYLE LEESON

waking her up at 2 a.m.

She seemed a little caught off guard when the firefighter answered, "I'm sorry but we don't get anything for it, we're strictly volunteer. When the lights and sirens wake you up, we were woken up five minutes before you, responding from our own houses."

She nearly broke down into tears and began to

thank him for everything that we've done.

When people think of firefighters, they think houses on fire and us coming to put it out. This is now just the tip of the iceberg as we respond to a variety of calls. With our expertise we can provide assistance to ambulances, vehicle extrication if needed and as always take care of everything from kittens stuck in trees to grass fires.

By writing this article, I hope to bring a month's worth of events and information to the public and increase awareness. Thankfully the month of November has been a quiet one. We have responded to a variety of calls tallying only 14 in total with one severe motor vehicle collision on the QEII. Compared to a busy month, the number of calls could reach up to a few a day, keeping us very busy.

Be sure to check in next month's article for further information. See you then.

New pastor for Bergthal Mennonite Church

Michael Nimz, his wife Cheryl and son Quinn from Winnipeg, Manitoba, came to Bergthal Church in August 2009. Pastor Nimz began ministry with his first sermon on August 30, while Cheryl and Quinn's wonderful gift in music is wonderful and very much appreciated by the congregation. Quinn attends Didsbury High School.

Installation was celebrated on Sunday, November 8, with the Mennonite Church Alberta Conference Pastor officiating. A potluck meal and joyful visiting followed the service to mark the festive occasion.

Two Bible studies led by Pastor Nimz are at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Bergthal Church and Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. at Campus Green Centre in Didsbury. The book of Deuteronomy is being studied to learn more about who God is and to relate it to Jesus' ministry. These Bible studies are open to anyone and everyone is welcome to attend.

Submitted by Erna Goerzen, correspondent for Bergthal Mennonite Church



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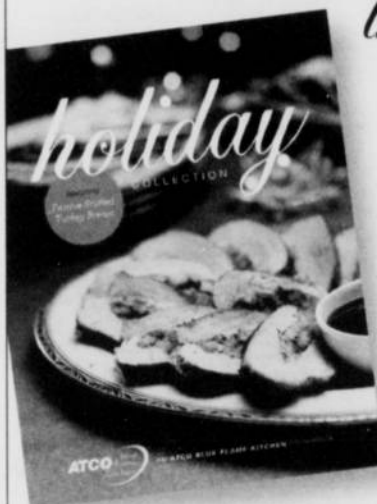
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Seasonal flu shots offered again

Pharmacists' involvement vague

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM
Didsbury Review

Residents looking to arm themselves against seasonal influenza will be able to access the vaccine this week.

Last Thursday, Alberta health officials announced that clinics would revive the seasonal flu program beginning Monday.

The campaign has been put on hold since October when the province received its first shipment of H1N1 vaccine and lines became inundated with people.

"There were some regions that had to put the seasonal program on hold so we could put all hands on deck at the mass clinics for H1N1 - it was our top priority," said Dr. André Corriveau, Alberta's chief medical officer of health.

But with high-risk groups now largely immunized and minimal wait times, clinics will once again offer the shots for three main strains of seasonal viruses. Officials say the shot should protect against 70 per cent of cases and reduce symptoms of the flu.

"It's important for people get both shots...we could see seasonal flu viruses re-emerge in the winter or early spring," Corriveau said.

"Basically like a little bully H1N1 has pushed all the other viruses to the side...so they didn't have a chance to spread. That could change when people are no longer susceptible to H1N1."

The vaccine and the H1N1 inoculation will be offered in mass clinics and select physician offices. There hasn't yet been any uptake from doctors in Didsbury.

For the first time, Alberta pharmacists could also help the province deliver the free vaccine but talks are still underway as to when that will happen.

Dale Cooney, registrar for the Alberta College of Pharmacists, said the institution has been providing certification to pharmacists since the Alberta government changed legislation last year to allow pharmacists to administer injections.

Five hundred pharmacists are qualified to

give H1N1 and seasonal immunizations in Alberta and two weeks ago they received an official call to aid the province.

Although there are still questions about when pharmacists will open clinics, how the vaccine will be shipped to stores and what procedures and policies will be followed.

Margaret Baril, pharmacist and owner of Didsbury Pharmasave, has been seeking answers about the vaccination roll out since the province first suggested vials would be shipped to drugstores.

Last August, she was told certified pharmacists would help administer shots in October but Baril received little detail about how that was supposed to happen.

Nevertheless, she expected the government would send vaccine stock to her store by October and ordered less than half of her usual supply. Baril usually brings in 150 vials annually to sell for \$20 a shot.

"I don't usually get a huge amount and I am not sure if I'll be compensated, but I put my neck out because I didn't want to have nothing," she said then.

The shipment never arrived. The province switched mid-stride to H1N1 and did not bring pharmacists on board.

Between 40 and 50 people have paid to use her backup supply since early October.

"Before I start advertising a clinic this time, I want to know when we will get a shipment, how much we will get and how long it's good for," Baril said.

"Information so far has been unclear." Baril is looking forward to being able to offer the free vaccine to clientele this December. People have been coming into her pharmacy looking for the shot.

"Clinics can be busy, so this is an good alternative."

Pharmacists will be receiving almost \$11 per injection from the government for the seasonal or H1N1 shot. The money will cover time spent and equipment used during clinics.

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Olympic hopeful close to spot in games

BY MARK LAYCOCK
For the Review

Carstairs Nordic combined skier Sean Van Es is one point away from qualifying for the 2010 Vancouver Olympic Games, but getting that one point is harder than one would expect.

Sean, who has had a passion for the sport since he was 13 years old, has spent most of the past year on the road at various international competitions trying to gain that point in order to fulfill his dream of competing in the Olympics.

Last week he took off to Park City, Utah for one of at least two more chances he has left to gain that one point before the games.

Sean's father, John, says his son has been practising non-stop for the past year and is confident moving forward.

"He's pretty determined as to what he's doing. He's been training exceptionally hard these last couple of months, so we're hoping that he gets the point," he says.

If Sean misses the point at the Park City Continental Cup on Dec. 14, he'll have a second chance at Lake Placid, New York on Dec. 19 - 20.

Nordic Combined consists of competitors vying for the best time in ski jumping and cross-country skiing. In order to place in the Olympics, participants must place in the top 60 of World Cup athletes. Competitors are placed according to scores they have accumulated at multiple events over the past year and a half. In Sean's case, he now needs one more continental cup point in order to qualify, but getting that point means he needs to place in the top 30 at one of the next two events.

His father says he came close earlier this year when he placed 31 at a competition, missing that point by two one-hundredths of a second.

Should Sean qualify for the games, he and his teammates on the Calgary Altius Nordic Ski Club would be part of the first Canadian Nordic combined team ever to compete in the winter games. If

the team doesn't qualify, Sean could still qualify individually if he places in the top 55 individual standings in the world, but his father says his best chance is to go in as a team.

Prospects are so good for the team says John, that Sean and the team recently completed an orientation with representatives from the Canadian Olympic Committee in Calgary. The orientation consisted of fitting the athletes for clothing, making travel arrangements, and discussing what to expect if the team moves on.

To better the team's chances at moving on, the team has acquired another coach: Scott Johnstone, a former Nordic combined skier for the U.S. in the 1980s.

John says that the last year has been an exhausting experience for Sean, who missed out on a chance to head to Europe this past summer for training due to a shortfall in finances. In its place, he spent time training in Canmore and at Canada Olympic Park in Calgary.

"It been a tough road for him, and yes, I'm very proud. I have to contain myself because I know that if he does get the point I'm going to be ecstatic because he'll be going to the Olympics and that will be his dream."

Sean's run up to this year's Olympics will also have a dramatic impact on what happens at the next winter games.

"How he does getting to this one determines weather or not he goes for 2014, but I have a sneaking suspicion he'll go for 2014."

John says that he and his wife Cheryl are feeling confident that their son will make it to Vancouver, and already have tickets to the games to go and watch.

John says that hope can only go so far, due to the high cost involved with the sport. The team is almost entirely funded out of the pockets of team members and parents. As a result, the team is also looking for donations and sponsors to help the team along. Anyone interested in supporting the team's efforts is asked to contact Ingrid Servold at (403)-247-5960.



OATH OF OFFICE • Didsbury Elks Past Exalted Ruler Gerry Samoisette steps down as the new Exalted Ruler Keith McKinnon is installed at the club's installation ceremonies on Saturday night.

Tamara Cunningham/Didsbury Review

Piano students excel during annual recital

The Olds and District Music Teachers' Association held its annual scholarship recital on Friday, November 20 at the First Baptist Church in Olds.

Several students from Olds and the surrounding communities of Didsbury, Carstairs, and Bowden performed a variety of piano and vocal selections. At the conclusion of the recital, scholarships were presented to those students who received the highest examination marks for the 2008/2009 teaching year. In addition, thanks to the generosity of many local and area businesses and organizations, the association was also able to award a scholarship to each student who had received a minimum mark of 80 per cent.

The association was also able to award a newly created scholarship in honor of Jean Rix. This award is presented to a senior piano student (minimum Grade 8 level) who has achieved excellence in their music studies.

Jean is a former piano teacher and long-time member of the Baron

Tweedsmuir Chapter of IOOE. It was her idea, over 30 years ago, to ask the IOOE to donate money for a scholarship to encourage piano students to pursue more advanced levels of study. She came to the association to be the vehicle through which this could be done.

This first step led to the creation of the ODMTA scholarship fund that is now supported by several local and area businesses and service organizations. The teachers and students of ODMTA are thankful to Jean for initiating this scholarship program which, this year, enabled us to award over \$2,000 to music students.

The association is pleased to be able to give recognition and encouragement to many students and wish them much success in their continued music studies.

ODMTA scholarship recipients include: Piano: Alex Kim (Prep A), Carmen Haubrich (Prep B), Cayla Haubrich (Gr.1), Jalene Taylor (Gr. 2), Jayna Wright (Gr. 3). Vocal: Claire Nixon (Gr. 2), Elizabeth Christensen (Gr. 4).



Submitted photo

Scholarship and honourable mention recipients include: Fourth row (l to r): Carmela Lukacs, Lucy Sawatzky, Derek Brown, Karl Sawatzky, Jolene McArthur, Jesse Rooks and Andreas Aebersold. Third row: Chelsea Doi, Cayla Haubrich, Jalene Taylor, Jayna Wright, Elizabeth Christensen, Marjorie Patterson and Magdalena Lukacs. Second row: Katie Tompkins, Martina Lukacs, Tory Allen, Sydney Fox, Claire Nixon, Katie Collin and Stephanie Griffiths. Front row: Alex Kim, Carmen Haubrich, Jasmine Steed, Cali Wright, Caden Wood and John Lukacs.

Instrumental: Karl Sawatzky (Gr. 3 Guitar), Anika Reynar (Gr. 4 Flute). Theory: John Lukacs (Basic Rudiments), Carmela Lukacs (Intermediate Rudiments), Lucy Sawatzky (Advanced

Rudiments), Jolene McArthur (ARCT Piano Pedagogy), Jolene McArthur (Jean Rix Award).

Honourable mentions include: Grade 1 Piano: Amy Nelissen, Tory Allen,

Jasmine Steed and Sydney Fox. Grade 2 Piano: Jesse Rooks, Cali Wright, Caden Wood, Katie Collin and Stephanie Griffiths. Theory: Marjorie Patterson, Andreas Aebersold, Martina Lukacs,

Magdalena Lukacs, Katie Tompkins, Anika Reynar, Jessica Porter, Timothy McBain, Stefanie Cala, Derek Brown and Chelsea Doi.

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Unemployment numbers not all bad

Job market expected to stabilize in 2010

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM
Didsbury Review

October unemployment rates that are up - way up - from 2008 could mean Albertans are more optimistic about finding jobs, an economist said.

Recent reports show this province is scraping the barrel with the lowest employment numbers in Canada. Last month alone, Alberta lost 15,000

jobs, pushing unemployment to 7.5 per cent, up 0.4 percentage points since September.

The province's league of unemployed has shot 106 per cent from October last year, according to Statistics Canada.

"The numbers are horrendous, we've doubled," said Chris Bruce, labour economist for the University of Calgary.

"I think this shows we are not out of the recession yet."

Alberta remains hard hit by the recession, which is a grim reminder that Alberta has a tendency to boom big and bust hard, said Pascal Gauthier, a TD economist.

As it is, provinces to the east of Alberta are beginning to see stable labour markets. Not so here. The natural resource sector, including oil and gas remains depressed. There were over 1,000 jobs shed

in the last month and 20,000 since October 2008.

The market isn't expected to stabilize until at least the second quarter of 2010.

But it's not all bad news.

The numbers of unemployed Statistics Canada collects only includes those seeking employment.

When there is a temporary boost in numbers it can mean there are more people bouncing back into the job market, confident they will find something, Gauthier said.

"Employment is usually the last thing to recover in a recession...and that people are coming back into the labour market with more confidence is a reflection that we are on our way," he said.

"The numbers are horrendous, we've doubled. I think this shows we are not out of the recession yet."

CHRIS BRUCE,
labour economist
University of Calgary

Melissa Maschke, coordinator at the Centre for

Employment in Olds, agrees that people are becoming more optimistic about finding jobs. She just hopes their outlook is eventually rewarded.

The most recent numbers for her office show 1,075 people came into the centre in September looking to be employed, compared to 885 in the same month last year.

"Is there a silver lining for these people? I hope so," she said.

"But right now we still don't have much to offer in the way of local jobs. Our bulletin board only has a few postings and there aren't very many wanted ads in the newspaper."



Back row left to right: Brett Coates, Dylan Sloan, Taylor Gingell, Ian Griffiths, Mason Mailer, Tyler Chomyn, and Jamie Coates. Front row left to right: Kayla Fischer, Logan Visser, Kain Boyd, Caleb Schindel, Dyllan Hasselberg and Cassie Snyder.

The Didsbury Rambler Atom Tier V team is off to a tremendous start. The team finished second in the Didsbury Atom Tournament, losing only by one point in the final game. The players showed they have what it takes to achieve true greatness. This team will clearly become the team to beat this year in their division. The team is lead by captains #29 Ian Griffiths and #8 Logan Visser. Assistant captains are #12 Brett Coates and #16 Mason Mailer. Our fearless goalies are #31 Kain Boyd and #1 Caleb Schindel. Completing the team are #15 Tyler Chomyn, #20 Jamie Coates, #2 Kayla Fisher, #3 Taylor Gingell, #30 Dylan Hasselberg, #18 Dylan Sloan and #17 Cassie Snyder. The team is extremely fortunate to have a highly experienced and dedicated coaching staff with the likes of Jeff Chomyn, Kevin Fisher, Kevin Hasselberg and Jason Switzer leading the troops. Leah Hasselberg is our diligent hardworking manager to whom we all owe our gratitude. Here is to the wonderful season ahead! Go Ramblers!



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ATOMS 1 Tier 2

TYKE 2

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ATOM 1 Tier 2

TYKE 2

Dec 5 Away in Strathmore
Dec 5, Away to Cremona
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ATOM 2 Tier 5

Dec 6, Didsbury vs High Country 10:15 am

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ROSEBUD HALL UPCOMING EVENTS Dec 13 Free Family Swim & potluck supper 1-3pm. Dec 22 Family Games night 7pm. Open to all Didsbury & area residents. 47-51

CREMONA WINTERFEST GIFT/RAFT SALE Saturday, December 5, 2009. 10am - 4pm at the Community Hall, Gold & Silver Hall, Curling Rink & United Church. 46-48

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2030 - 24 Ave. Didsbury
For more information please contact
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Wendy MacKenzie 335-8507
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KATARINA GRAVES

Dragon's Eye

November hasn't been the flurry of excitement as have previous months. In general news, most all of the students have returned from sick days and the hallways, correction- hallway, is once again as packed as ever. Of course we're all very cheered by the lack of snow, and as always looking forward to the fast approaching Christmas break.

Sports at DHS are on the fly with a once again successful season of volleyball coming to a close, all teams expressing content at their efforts. In its stead basketball has started up, so don't forget to show up to practice if you're interested!

The much anticipated return of our humanitarian delegates, who (in case you were unaware) travelled to India for a week, has returned some of our many dedicated students to us. I am sure they are currently enjoying catching up on a mountain of homework at this very moment. The trip was great, and one student was quoted as having said "It was a fantastic, once-in-a-lifetime experience... I would go back in a heartbeat!" Another said, "This trip was awesome! Plus, it was a real eye-opener to some of the problems that are going on in the world."

Though little has happened this month we are certainly looking forward to the coming month! December 4th we will be having a semi-formal "Winter Wonderland" dance, so look sharp! Not only that but we have the Grade 1s coming to perform for us as well as our bands' Christmas concert.



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In and Around Didsbury

Marge St Clair

Fri. Dec. 4

Cribbage play starts at 7 p.m. at the 5-0 Club. You are welcome to attend and join in the games, enjoy the coffee and goodies served and the visiting.

Sat. Dec. 5

This is Colts hockey weekend in Didsbury, tonight at 8 p.m. and Sun. Dec. 6 at 3:30 p.m. Hopefully there will be lots of fans in the stands at the Didsbury Arena cheering.

Sun. Dec. 6

The Accredited Supports to the Community Annual Childrens Breakfast with Santa is being held at the Evergreen Centre in Olds with two seatings, 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Please phone 403-556-4110 for tickets.

Wed. Dec. 9

The monthly pot luck dinner is being held at the 5-0 Club starting at 12:30 p.m. The turkey is supplied so a big dish of veggies, salad or dessert will make a great meal for all to enjoy. The hall has been tastefully decorated for the holiday season, thanks to the Red Hatters Club.

Wed. Dec. 9

The Didsbury O.O.R.P. Ladies are having their meeting at the Bud Barn. This is the Christmas Party starting at 6 p.m. with a pot luck supper and entertainment. You are welcome to join them.

This month H1N1 Flu Clinics are being held on Dec. 8, 9, 15, 16 & 23rd.

Thurs. Dec. 10

The afternoon session for seniors at Eldon Foote Hall is being held on Fri. Dec. 11 at 1:30 p.m. This will be the last session until mid January.

Sat. Dec. 12 & Sun. Dec. 13

Come to the Didsbury Arena to cheer the Colts on when they play against the Banff Academy Bears at 8 p.m., on Sun. the game starts at 3:30 p.m. against the Cochrane Generals.

Sat. Dec. 12

This is the day of the Kids Christmas Party at the Elks Hall from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.; doors open at 12:30 p.m., movie starts at 1 p.m. Santa will visit. All children 10 years and under must be accompanied by a parent.

Mon. Dec. 14

The Didsbury Lifeline Society will have the meeting at 10 a.m. at the town office. If you are thinking of having a Lifeline installed in your home, this is the time to get all the details.

Remember to drop by the museum to see the selection of unique Christmas gifts: mugs, t-shirts, hats and bell pins, or you can phone the museum at 403-335-9295 or Frankie 403-335-3633 for more details.

16 Stick Curling Teams gathered at the Didsbury Curling Rink for a one-day bonspiel, and included teams from Delia, Airdrie, Carstairs, Usona (near Ponoka) and Didsbury. Top money was split between Gord Hickman and Bob Knott of Airdrie and Grant McCulloch and Isabel Pitkanen of Didsbury and Carstairs. All report a great fun day.



A member of the Mountain View Colts gets rough treatment from a pair of Coaldale Copperheads, Sunday.

Tamara Cunningham, Didsbury Review

Colts, Copperheads play to stalemate

BY TAMARA
CUNNINGHAM
Didsbury Review

The Mountainview Colts pinned the Coaldale Copperheads to a tie Sunday afternoon during a fierce and physical match.

The game featured a slug-gish start by the Colts. Within a minute of the clock countdown, the Copperheads scored on goalie Jason Arnason, for a 1-0 lead. Colts returnee Ryan Miller, wasn't able to tie the score until the last five minutes of the first period. Matt Richardson assisted.

It became a fast and furious battle against the boards in the second period as the Colts tried to edge away from the draw. Players were able to keep the bulk of the game in the

Copperheads' end but didn't score until late in the second period. By then, defensive player, Devery Edmonds had also scored and the teams headed into the third period at a 2-2 stalemate.

"Everybody was working hard out there but...no team pushed to get that win," said Arnason.

"It was a pretty even matchup. There were some bounces that could have gone our way...and we had some defensive breakdowns but in all it was a good game."

The teams remained in a tie into the third period and five minutes into overtime. Strong goaltending on both sides kept players from gaining a lead.

Since snapping a losing streak two weeks ago, the

team has high morale and that's triggered several ties with top teams of the league, Arnason said.

The Coaldale Copperheads are second in the south division.

"We've stepped up our game...it was a turning point for us. Last night we played (Blackfalds Wranglers), the top team in the league and lost by only two points," he said of the 6-4 score.

"I think we'll only go up from here."

This was the second game with Ryan Miller on the blue line and having the extra veteran has helped to pace the young Colts.

Miller has been on the bench with an injury since the pre-season exhibition game against Three Hills Thrashers last September.

"It felt good to be back...my legs were a little tired but otherwise my transition was pretty smooth," he said.

"The team seems to have really picked up although we need to tweak the line and get the puck out to get away from these ties."

Last week, the Colts tied the Cochrane Generals and Three Hills Thrashers.

Colts Notes: Saturday night the locals hung tough against the league leading Blackfalds Wranglers with the visitors needing an empty net goal to secure a 6-4 win over the home standing Colts... Pat Turville, Matt Richardson, Jan Milne and Kody Wickham scored for the Colts, while Devon Dell made 40 saves in a losing effort.



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Police are urging the public not to leave valuables in their vehicles or leave doors unlocked after two residents were robbed last week.

Overnight on November 21 a car parked behind JD's Restaurant was searched and a purse taken. The doors had been left unlocked.

The next evening a truck outside the Didsbury Inn had a gym bag stolen after thieves rummaged through the vehicle. The doors had also been unlocked.

Police members say the gym bag was found later. It had likely been tossed away when nothing of value was found, members said.

"It's the same warning we give out all the time - don't provide opportunity for criminals because they will take advantage of it," said Sgt. Jeff Jacobson.

Police briefs

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM
Didsbury Review

"Keep valuables out of sight."

Calgary driver crashes

Three people were treated for minor injuries at the scene of a rollover, November 20.

Police say the accident occurred because the driver was unfamiliar with the road. The Calgary man, went off the road and rolled, half a kilometre west of Range Road 2.2 on the blind line.

Break and enter at mini storage

Locks were cut on mini storage units in Carstairs last week.

On November 24, 2A Mini Storage was broken into and personal storage units entered. Police are still contacting owners to find out if anything was taken. The Red Deer Identification Unit is helping to look for evidence on scene.

Bah-Humbug

Thieves are already on the prowl for Christmas decorations this season, nipping lights from a home on 16th Street.

The lights were taken mid-morning on November 10 and have not turned up since.

Police say it is common for ornaments to be stolen during the holiday season, but they are usually found and turned into police.

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WAYNE IVEY

Wayne Ivey, Didsbury, Alberta and formerly of Ituna, Sask., died suddenly on Monday, November 23, 2009 at the age of 62 years. The funeral service was held in Valley Alliance Church, Fort Qu'Appelle, Sask. on Friday, November 27, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Dawson Brooks officiating. Interment in Lakeview Cemetery, Fort Qu'Appelle. The casket bearers were: Gerald Fisher, Bruce Borden, Lawrence Snider, Lorne Ivey, Jerry Van Oosten and Shaun Dreger.

Wayne is survived by two daughters Loreena (Rod) McLellen and their daughters Taylor and Jordan, Delta, B.C. and Donna (Darryl) Milo and their sons Ethan and Aiden, Estevan, SK; his brothers and sisters: Donald Ivey, Kelliher, SK; Hazel (Lawrence) Snider, Fort Qu'Appelle, SK; Allan Ivey, Ituna, SK; Connie (Gerald) Fisher, Regina, SK; brothers-in-law, Orland Wenaas and Bruce Borden; sister-in-law Ruth Ivey and numerous nieces, nephews and special friends. Wayne was predeceased by his parents Thomas and Josephine Ivey; two sisters Marjorie Wenaas and Joan Borden; one brother Thomas Ivey Jr.

The arrangements were entrusted to Wes Banbury of Tubman Cremation and Funeral Services.

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DIETRICH



Doris Olive Dietrich (nee Ault) passed away peacefully at her home on November 27, 2009 at the age of 78, surrounded by her loving family. Running to meet her with open arms were her husband, Alfred, her daughters, Linda Pothier and Gail Dietrich, her grandson, Ryan Pothier, her brothers, Walter and Stan and her sister Kay. She is survived by her sister Faye Wilcox, by her children, son-in-law Brian Pothier (Linda), Lyle (Sandy) Dietrich, Steven (Sharon) Dietrich, Marie (Frank) Harris, Ann (Alan) Riddle and Dan Dietrich; her grandchildren, Angela (Scott), Kim, Kris, Michelle (Steve), Jessica, Travis, Cassandra, Carley, Colbey, Aaron, Angelina and her great-granddaughter, Adrianna. Doris was born to Bernard and Rose Ault in Galahad, AB on April 21, 1931. She was raised in Heisler, AB.

Doris married Al Dietrich Jan 4, 1950 and started their new life in Turner Valley. Their family started to grow with the additions of Linda, Gail, Lyle and Steve. Then in 1960 the family picked up roots and moved to Didsbury, further additions to the family were Marie, Ann and Dan. Doris had a talent with her hands and sewed many of the clothes her children wore; she also knitted, crocheted and made her "Grandma Hug" blankets. Some of her other favorite things were Bingo, Horse races, spending hours doing crossword puzzles, gardening and spending time with family and friends. She was also actively involved in the CWL, St Anthony's Parish, Friends of St Lucia and the Boy Scouts for many years. Doris became a world traveler and enjoyed many trips with members of her family to locations like New York, Disney Land, Houston, Portugal, England and her last trip was to Fatima.

Doris will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved her. Special thanks to Home Care, Companions Caring for U (Shirley and Peggy), Dr. Hoeve, Dr. Jackson, Margaret Baril and especially Aunt Faye for her time with her sister. A prayer service will be held on Tuesday, December 1, 2009 at 7:00pm at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Didsbury. Mass Of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, December 2, 2009 at 9:30am at St. Stephen's Catholic Church, Olds. Interment to follow at the Didsbury Cemetery.

If friends so desire, memorial tributes may be made to the Linda Pothier Memorial Fund at Westglen School in Didsbury. Bag 200, Didsbury, Alberta T0M 0W0 or any charity of their choice. Condolences to the family may be forwarded from www.metcalffuneralchapel.com. Arrangements entrusted to Metcalf Funeral Chapel, 4200 49th Ave., Innisfail. Phone: 403-227-3123.



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STEPHEN



Kenneth (Ken) Howard Stephen, husband of Pat Bird, passed away November 21, 2009 in the Didsbury Hospital after complications related to ALS. Ken was born in Swan River, Manitoba, January 6, 1945, the second child of four. He grew up on the family farm in Bowsman, Manitoba graduating from Bowsman High School in 1963. He lived in Dauphin working for the Manitoba Assessments until he moved to Didsbury in 1981 and was employed by the county as a land assessor. Ken married Pat Bird on August 16, 1986 and they resided on an acreage west of Didsbury. Ken achieved numerous diplomas: Civil Engineering Technology, Energy Management Technology at SAIT in Calgary and Canadian Residential Appraiser. He was an active member of the Kinsmen and later the K-40. Ken was predeceased by his father "Bus", mother Esther, sister Wilma and brother-in-law Ron Rusnak. Ken is survived by his wife and best friend Pat Bird; sister Maureen Stephen-Rusnak; brother Murray (Susan); brother-in-law Jim Frend; sister-in-law Linda (Ric) Arthurs; brother-in-law Michael (Joanne) Bird; three nieces, seven nephews and four great-nieces. Memorial services were held on Friday, November 27, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. at the Knox United Church (1406 19 Ave.), Didsbury with Ian Kellogg and Reverend Nancy Nourse officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the ALS Society. Heartland Funeral Services Ltd. Olds entrusted with arrangements. 403-507-8610 www.heartlandfuneralservices.com



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With heartfelt appreciation and acknowledgement to everyone who sent flowers, food, condolences and sympathies, or celebrated Sheila's life at her Farewell Tribute - We thank you all.

We have all been blessed with your involvement in and enjoyment of Sheila's life. We are all thankful and comforted that she touched your lives in her special way.

We are so very grateful, as well, for the unconditional and endless support and caring of the Dirty Mothers - R'Nee, Karen, Audrey, Janet, Penny, Kelly, Joanne, Chris, as well as Kim Hughes, Kim Rose, Charlene Campbell, Gloria Murray and Tammy Dickson, and Kevin, Darcy, Gord, Brett, Carl, Del, et al.

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With the passing of our dear Mother, to be reunited with her beloved husband, we would like to express our heartfelt thanks for all the beautiful flowers, cards, and the telephone calls from our dear friends, relatives and families. A special thanks to the Doctors and nursing staff at the Olds Hospital and the Red Deer Regional Hospital for the care given to our Mom. We would also like to thank Reverend Bryan Derksen for the beautiful private service, the Canadian Legion Ladies for the wonderful luncheon supplied, and Craig Penner for the lovely piping and the Funeral Directors of Personal Alternative Funeral Service for the wonderful care and help at this time of sorrow.

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